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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1646

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):	Friddle <i>et al.</i>	Group Art Unit:	1646
Application No.:	09/975,308	Examiner:	R. Li
Filed:	10/11/2001	Atty. Docket No.:	LEX-0252-USA
Title: Novel Human 7TM Proteins and Polynucleotides Encoding the Same			

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 4, 2002

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

OK To Submit
RL: 4/7/2003

The Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Office Action ("the Action") mailed on November 4, 2002 (Paper No. 12), which has been carefully reviewed and studied. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the rejections in Paper No. 12 in the same order in which they were originally raised.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of one month to and including March 4, 2003, and authorization to deduct the fee as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1) from Applicants' representatives Deposit Account are included. The response is thus timely filed. Applicants believe no fees in addition to the fee for the extension of time are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.



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